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EASTER CELEBRATION
Saturday, March 26
10:00am-2:00pm  Have an “egg-citing” time at the annual Easter Celebration. Enjoy treat stations around the Zoo, meet the Easter Bunny, watch animals on egg hunts and much more!
Don’t forget to hunt for the Golden Eggs that will be hidden around the Zoo. Finders will win great prizes!

The 9TH ANNUAL TULIP EVENT
Wednesday, April 13
9:00am-2:00pm  Be our guest this spring for guided tours through 100,000 blooming tulips, lunch, and a presentation from the Zoo’s Vice President of Facilities and Sustainability, Mark Fisher, on what makes us the Greenest Zoo in America. After lunch, guests will be treated to an exclusive plant sale featuring distinctive items from the Zoo’s nurseries.
Tickets: $75 each or $750 for a table of 10
Proceeds benefit horticulture efforts at the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden.
For more information on the Tulip Event and to reserve tables or tickets, visit cincinnatizoo.org/events/tulipevent or contact ali.kremchek@cincinnatizoo.org

Tunes & Blooms
Presenting Sponsor: Macy's
Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21 & 28
6:00am-8:30pm  Enjoy FREE concerts every Thursday evening in April performed by some of the hottest local bands in the area. Not to mention, you’ll get the opportunity to see the beautiful tulips at Zoo Blooms at the same time!
Media Partner: 89.7FM WNKU
April 7  Honey & Houston
Buffalo Wabs and the Price Hill Hustle
April 14  Jake Speed & Freddies
Shiny and the Spoon
April 21  The Cliftones
April 28  TBD- Please check online for listing
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A Toast to the Wild

These popular tasting events allow guests to sample a selection of wines, martinis, and beers as you stroll throughout our beautiful Zoo. Held in various locations throughout the park, each event features live music, animal encounters, light fare donated from popular local restaurants and vendors, and more! A Toast to the Wild benefits the Lindner Center for Conservation and Research of Endangered Wildlife (CREW) tremendously. This series helps increase the exposure of CREW locally and raise funds to support their groundbreaking research.

Wild about Wine (two events):
June 16 & August 8
6:30-9:00pm

Zootini:
July 7
6:30-9:00pm

Zoo Brew:
October 6
6:30-9:00pm

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Friday • June 3 • 2016

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Promotional pricing ends May 6th

Adults Only Evening • No Guests Under the Age of 21

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JENNIFER GRAY, CEO Zoos Victoria

DEVILS AND BANDICOOTS - HOW ZOOS CAN DELIVER COMPASSIONATE CONSERVATION.

Jenny Gray, the formidably able CEO of Zoos Victoria, combines an impressive corporate background with a genuine passion for conservation. Zoos Victoria is committed to Fighting Extinction and have committed that no Victorian terrestrial vertebrate species will go extinct on their watch. The unique challenges facing Tasmanian Devils and Eastern Barred Bandicoots showcase the lengths Zoos Victoria goes to help save these amazing animals.

SUZANA PADUA, Ph.D & CLAUDIO PADUA, Ph.D

30 YEARS OF CONSERVATION WORK IN BRAZIL.

Suzana M. Padua is one of the co-founders and is the current president of Instituto de Pesquisas Ecológicas (IPÊ), a Brazilian non-profit organization that works for the conservation of biodiversity and sustainable development. Her work with environmental education began with the black-lion tamarin and expanded to reach people living around protected areas where IPÊ works.

Greg DuToit, 2013 Wildlife Photographer of the Year

Blood, sweat and Photographic Tears

This highly original presentation includes a literal feast of unbelievable wildlife imagery as the photographer shares his extensive knowledge of one of Africa’s wildest regions, deep within the heart of Kenya’s south rift valley. Mr. DuToit will offer insight into the patience, passion, commitment and dedication that it takes for a wildlife photographer in the 21st century to capture truly unique imagery.

Joy Reidenberg, Ph.D

Professor at Icahn School of Medicine at Mt. Sinai

Why Whales are Weird, Wacky, and Wonderful

Who doesn’t like whales? They’re awesome! This talk will dive into the wild world of their weird anatomy, wacky evolutionary story, and wonderful adaptations. Through the science of comparative anatomy, you will learn about what makes whales (including dolphins and porpoises) unique. We’ll explore why their body differs from other animals, how it functions underwater, and what we can learn from this to benefit human medicine and technology.

Scott Weidensaul, Ornithologist and author

Messing Around with Birds (For Fun and Science)

Join naturalist Scott Weidensaul for a lighthearted exploration of his many avian research projects. His work ranges from banding hawks and tiny saw-whet owls to studying the migration of western hummingbirds that aren’t supposed to be in the East in December (but are), and snowy owls down from the Arctic.

For more information contact Christina Anderson at 513-487-3318

Lectures are held at the Cincinnati Zoo’s Frisch’s Theater in the Harold C. Schott Education Center. All lectures begin at 7pm. Please visit cincinnatizoo.org for more information on our program and speakers.
FULL DAY CAMPS

Full Day Camps include a summer camp T-shirt, snacks (campers pack lunch), full day of fun including games, hikes, animal encounters, crafts, group projects, animal feedings, animal shows, train rides, keeper talks and so much more! All sessions meet 9 am-4 pm, Monday-Friday. Cost: Members: $225 / Non-Members: $240

* Cost for 7th-8th Graders: Members: $235/Non-Members $250

Before Care session: 8-9 am- $45 After Care session: 4-5:30 pm- $55

3rd-4th Graders

**CHOOSE-YOUR-OWN-ADVENTURE: EXPEDITION NATURALIST**

Campers will get a chance to become Naturalists, as they choose their destiny through different expeditions. These expeditions will traverse through the world’s different biomes. As they complete each expedition they will become equipped with the knowledge and the tools it takes to become a real naturalist.

Dates:

- May 30-June 3
- June 6-10
- June 13-17
- June 20-24
- July 4-8
- July 11-15
- July 18-22

5th-6th Graders

**EXPLORING ENRICHMENT**

What do boomer balls, spices, and fish-sicles all have in common? They are different forms of animal enrichment! Enrichment provides stimulation to our Zoo animals keeping their minds and bodies healthy. Through animal encounters, keeper interactions, games, and other activities, we will learn about the different forms of animal enrichment, whom and what they are good for, and the role of the Zoo’s enrichment committee in all of this. We will even get a chance to participate in the creation of some animal enrichment items and brainstorm some new enrichment ideas to present to the enrichment committee.

Dates:

- May 30-June 3
- June 6-10
- June 13-17
- June 20-24
- July 11-15
- July 18-22
- August 1-5
- August 8-12

1st-2nd Graders

**ZOOPER HEROES**

Did you know that a certain bird can fly at speeds of 200mph? Animals can be out of this world when it comes to their super adaptations. Some can leap 12 feet high with a single bound! Come to summer camp and discover these animals and their “incredible” super-powers. Each day, we will look at an unbelievable superhero, and then see if our Zoo animals can measure up to their spectacular abilities. The camp will include Zoo hikes, games, and up-close live animal encounters.

Dates:

- May 30-June 3
- June 6-10
- June 13-17
- June 20-24
- June 27-July 1
- July 4-8

7th-8th Graders

**WORKING WITH WILDLIFE**

Animal keepers, field researchers, animal trainers...the list goes on and on when it comes to jobs that work with wildlife. We’ll meet some people who work with wildlife, some of the critters they work with, and tour some behind-the-scenes areas that help them do their job. This is a hands-on class, so be prepared to get knee or elbow-deep in exploration of some of the jobs and tools of the trade that come with a wildlife-related career! Participants will even get the opportunity to write and record animal-related podcasts that might be selected to be on the Zoo’s website!

Dates:

- May 30-June 3
- June 6-10
- June 13-17
- June 20-24
- July 25-29
- August 1-5
- August 8-12
HALF DAY CAMPS

A.M. sessions meet 9:30 am-12 pm, Monday-Friday
P.M. sessions meet 1:30-4 pm, Monday-Friday
Cost: Members: $110 / Non-Members: $125

Half Day Camps include a summer camp T-shirt, snacks, live animal encounters, games, hikes, animal feeding opportunities, keeper talks and so much more!
No Before Care option available with Half Day Camps
After Care Session: 4:00-5:30 pm- $55

4 Year Olds & Kindergarteners
SENSATIONAL SENSES
Can you talk like an elephant or taste with your feet like a butterfly? Explore what sensory adaptations animals have and how these adaptations help them survive. We’ll spend the week looking at our five senses and seeing how they compare to other animals’ through close encounters with animal friends, interactive games, crafts, and hikes in the Zoo.

Dates:
May 30-June 3 (am only) June 27-July 1 July 25-29
June 13-17 July 11-15 August 8-12

BRINGING UP BABY
Do other animals live in families like humans? Are all babies raised by their moms? During this camp, we’ll experience up-close animal encounters, make crafts, and, of course, hike around the Zoo to learn about why it can take a mom, dad, pack, or no one at all to raise a baby animal.

Dates:
June 6-10 July 4-8 August 1-5
June 20-24 July 18-22 August 15-19

1st-2nd Graders
GROWING UP
What do polliwogs, cubs, and owlets have in common? They’re all babies! Spend a week learning how animals change and grow from the time they’re born until they reach adulthood. Each day is packed with activities to help discover how insects, amphibians, reptiles, birds, and mammals grow.

Dates:
May 30-June 3 (am only) June 27-July 1 July 25-29
June 13-17 July 11-15 August 8-12

ANIMAL CHATTER
Have you ever wondered what a lion was roaring about or a bird chirping about? This camp will explore animals and how they “talk” to each other. Join us for a fun-filled week, where campers will discover what animals are communicating through smell, facial expressions and sound.

Dates:
June 6-10 July 4-8 August 1-5
June 20-24 July 18-22 August 15-19

3rd-4th Graders
ZSI-ZOO SCENE INVESTIGATION
Footprints……teeth marks……broken branches……and scat?? What can these clues tell us about the biology of wildlife and the events that occurred at the scene? Discover ways to study the evidence that animals leave behind as well as learn about ways that Zoo professionals are using science to help conserve wildlife.

Dates:
May 30-June 3 (am only) June 27-July 1 July 25-29
June 13-17 July 11-15 August 8-12

LEADERS OF THE PACK
During this week-long adventure, campers will discover animal leaders of all kinds, from keystone species to alpha males and females! Then campers will meet some leaders in conservation here at the Cincinnati Zoo! By the end of the week, campers will have the opportunity to become leaders in conservation themselves!

Dates:
June 6-10 July 4-8 August 1-5
June 20-24 July 18-22 August 15-19

5th-6th Graders
OPERATION CONSERVATION
This program will explore the ins and outs of wildlife conservation. Through animal encounters, hikes, and other activities, we’ll learn about real-life conservation efforts taking place at the Zoo, some of the tools researchers use to keep track of wild populations of species, and what we can do to help the wildlife in our own backyard.

Dates:
June 20-24 July 4-8 August 1-5
July 18-22 August 15-19

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SPRING BREAK CAMP

Cost: Members: $220*/ Non-Members: $235*
*Cost for 6th-8th Grade Camp: Members: $225/Non-Members: $240
Dates: March 28- April 1: 9am-4pm

4 Year Olds & Kindergarteners
Beauty and the Beast
Some animals are more than meet the eye. From beautiful butterflies and peacocks to beastly bearded dragons and bats, we’ll see why looks can be deceiving and learn why there are just as many reasons (if not more) to love the beasts as the beauties. By the end, we will learn that there is beauty in every beast.

1st-2nd Graders
Blend, Bolt, or Bite!
Animals can behave in different ways when faced with danger! They can: blend in, bolt out of sight or turn and bite! Discover the tricky ways animals keep safe in this week long camp that features up-close animal encounters and opportunities for excitement around every corner!

3rd-5th Graders
Dr. Zoolittle’s Animal Training Camp
Discover how to “talk” to animals! Campers will be training more NEW behaviors with a variety of Zoo animals including goats, chickens and other birds. Learn about animal behavior and motivation while applying training techniques taught by Zoo professionals. By the end of camp, animals will be eating out of your hands, literally!

6th-8th Graders
Mini-Maynard Training Camp
Join us for a week long adventure and discover what it takes to become a future Zoo director! Our Zoo director Thane Maynard is known as a wildlife expert, a naturalist, author and a regular on TV shows promoting wildlife conservation. Campers will experience the many different jobs Thane has done on the way to becoming our Zoo director. Campers will handle animals, go behind the scenes with Zoo animals, and create a “90-second naturalist” podcast of their own on their way to becoming the next Zoo director. So watch out Thane!!

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SEASONAL HIGHLIGHTS

**TODDLERS**
(18-36 Months old)

**COLOR QUEST**
Bright, vibrant flowers are blooming, green leaves and grass are all around... Spring is a great time to learn about colors! We will take a stroll through the Zoo, look closely, and let nature help us to learn our colors.

**Dates:** March 8, 9, 11 or 12: 9:30-10:15 am or 11-11:45 am

**Cost:** Members: $11/Non-Members: $15

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**KINDERGARTEN**

**THE UNHUGGABLES**
Creep, crawl, or slither in for this program on some of the world’s less cuddly animals. After a few games and a craft, we’ll meet some of these “unhuggable” animal friends and separate the fact from fiction that surrounds them. Whether an animal has 8 legs, 6 legs, or no legs, we’ll find out why they’re not so creepy after all!

**Dates:** March 8: 10-11:30 am
March 12: 2-3:30 pm

**Cost:** Members: $12/Non-Members: $16

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**1ST-2ND GRADE**

**DOWN & DIRTY!**
Explore the world of animals that live under our feet! From earthworms to naked mole rats to insects, discover how your life changes when you spend all your time burrowing in the dirt.

**Dates:**
March 8: 10:30-11:15 am or 11:45-12:30 pm
March 12: 2-3:30 pm

**Cost:** Members: $12/Non-Members: $16

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**3RD-5TH GRADE**

**THE SCOOP ON POOP**
Ever wonder what our Zoo animals leave behind, or what keepers do with it? No? No matter; this class is guaranteed to get you excited about animal scat! From identification to diet, an animal’s scat can reveal a lot about an animal. Learn to identify some of our Zoo animals by scat alone and what, besides who’s who, it can tell a zookeeper (and us!) about the animals in their care.

**Dates:**
March 8: 10-11:30 am
March 12: 2-3:30 pm

**Cost:** Members: $12/Non-Members: $16

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**6TH-8TH GRADE**

**BACKSTAGE PASS JR: INCREDIBLE INSECTS**
Which Zoo animal exhibit houses the largest number of different species and holds the most awards for successful husbandry of the endangered animals that live there? The World of the Insect, of course! With so many arthropods and other exhibited animals such as naked mole rats and fruit doves rounding out the equation, the keepers in this animal area certainly have their hands full! Come and explore their world and their vast reservoir of knowledge to learn about what it takes to care for these small and sometimes endangered Zoo residents!

**Dates:** March 12: 2-3 pm

**Cost:** Members: $40/Non-Members: $55

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**INSECTACULAR!**
From fuzzy bumblebees to marching ants, insects come in many shapes, sizes, and colors. Learn about and meet some of the insects you can only find at the Zoo as well as some that you may see in your own backyard as we flutter, buzz, creep, and crawl our way through this insectacular adventure!

**Dates:** March 8, 9, 11 or 12: 10-11 am

**Cost:** Members: $11/Non-Members: $15

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**PRE-K**

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**Dates:** March 8, 9, 11 or 12: 10-11 am

**Cost:** Members: $11/Non-Members: $15

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**4D SPECIAL FX THEATER**

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**DON’T MISS OUR NEW 4-D EXPERIENCES COMING IN MARCH!**

Open
11am-3pm, weekdays
10am-5pm, weekends
Join the club and Hang with the Troop!

**Toddlers (18-36 Months Old)**

**All Animals Great & Small**

Our world has animals, big and small, that call it home. From a tiny tadpole to a giant giraffe, animals come in all shapes and sizes! Come to this four week series where you and your child will explore the Zoo to discover the itty bitty insects, the gentle giants, and everything in between! Each week we will discover these animals through live animal encounters, zoo hikes, and dramatic play.

**Steps**
1. Discover the words we use to describe animal sizes.
2. Identify animals, small to large, around the Zoo.
3. Explore the sizes of animals we can find in our backyard.
4. Make new friends and share our world together.

**Purpose**
When I have finished this Zoo Troop adventure, I will have discovered animals of all sizes and how to share our world with them.

**Dates:** Choose to come every Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, or Saturday for 4 weeks
- Home School Tuesdays: April 12, 19, 26 and May 3: 9:30-10:15am or 11:00-11:45am
- Wednesdays: April 13, 20, 27 and May 4: 9:30-10:15am or 11:00-11:45am
- Fridays: April 15, 22, 29 and May 6: 9:30-10:15am or 11:00-11:45am
- Saturdays: April 16, 23, 30 and May 7: 9:30-10:15am or 11:00-11:45am

**Cost:** Members: $60/Non-Members: $75

**Pre-K**

**Backyard Buddies**

From rabbits hopping around during the day to skunks scurrying around at night, have you ever wondered what creatures live just outside your door? Throughout this Zoo Troop journey, we will learn how to explore our own backyards to find our animal neighbors! Each week we will meet animals face to face in the classroom and out in Zoo as we learn how to share our spaces with them!

**Steps**
1. Discover what it means to be a “native” animal.
2. Learn how native animals use local habitats.
3. Discover which native wildlife calls the Zoo home.
4. Make friends and learn to share our space with each other and wildlife.

**Purpose**
When I have finished this Zoo Troop adventure, I will have learned how to find native animals and how to share our world with them.

**Dates:** Choose to come every Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, or Saturday for 4 weeks
- Home School Tuesdays: April 12, 19, 26 and May 3: 10-11am
- Wednesdays: April 13, 20, 27 and May 4: 10-11am
- Fridays: April 15, 22, 29 and May 6: 10-11am
- Saturdays: April 16, 23, 30 and May 7: 10-11am

**Cost:** Members: $60/Non-Members: $75

**Kindergarteners**

**Home Sweet Home**

Explore the continent that we call home. From sea to shining sea, North America is filled with unique places for us to live. Animals have found ways to call this land home too! During this 4-week series, we’ll take a road trip from coast to coast through playful activities, Zoo hikes, and live animal encounters.

**Steps**
1. Explore the different habitats found across North America.
2. Discover the diversity of animals that call North America home.
3. Instill wonder & respect for native wildlife and shared spaces.
4. Make new friends and have fun together!

**Purpose**
When I have finished this Zoo Troop adventure, I will have discovered how important North American habitats are to both native animals and us.

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- Home School Tuesdays: April 12, 19, 26 and May 3: 10-11:30am
- Fridays: April 15, 22, 29 and May 6: 10-11:30am
- Saturdays: April 16, 23, 30 and May 7: 10-11:30am or 2:30-3:30pm

**Cost:** Members: $60/Non-Members: $75
1st-2nd Grade

**Native Neighbors**

What do bees, bears, bobcats and beavers all have in common besides the letter “B”? They all live pretty close to you and me! Some of the world’s coolest critters can be found in your own backyard. During this 4-week series, we’ll take an in-depth look at a few of North America’s most exciting inhabitants through observation-based activities, Zoo hikes, and live animal encounters.

**Steps**
1. Gain knowledge about native species.
2. Compare and share what makes native wildlife similar to us and to each other.
3. Learn to explore creative thoughts through observations, projects and activities.
4. Build upon communication and teamwork skills by working together.

**Purpose**
When I’ve finished this Zoo Troop series, I will have developed my observation skills and used them to explore the lives of some of our favorite North American wildlife.

**Dates:** Choose to come every Tuesday or Saturday for 4 weeks  
Home School Tuesdays: April 12, 19, 26 and May 3: 10-11:30am  
Saturdays: April 16, 23, 30 and May 7: 2-3:30pm

**Cost:** Members: $65/Non-Members: $80

3rd-5th Grade

**Who’s Awake?**

Day shift, night shift, swing shift, animals have adapted their activity levels to share space with each other. In this four-week series, we will explore nocturnal, diurnal, and crepuscular lifestyles, the adaptations that go with each, and how native wildlife utilize these activity strategies to reduce competition for resources in shared habitats. Each week will bring new and exciting encounters both with classroom animal visitors and Zoo exhibit animals, fun games, and hands-on activities.

**Steps**
1. Learn to use scientific words to describe the times when animals are active.
2. Learn the adaptations required to be successful when active at different times of day.
3. Make new friends and hone our nature observation skills together.
4. Discover how our actions can affect our local wildlife.

**Purpose**
When I finish this Zoo Troop adventure, I will have developed my observational skills and used them to discover and compare the adaptations of animals that interact with their world at different times of day.

**Dates:** Choose to come every Tuesday or Saturday for 4 weeks  
Home School Tuesdays: April 12, 19, 26 and May 3: 10-11:30am  
Saturdays: April 16, 23, 30 and May 7: 1:30-3:30pm

**Cost:** Members: $65/Non-Members: $80

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6th-8th Grade

**Naturalist Notebook**

Learning to be a naturalist is all about honing your observation skills. During this four-week series, we will focus on using inquiry and participatory learning to observe, ask questions, and uncover some cool information about our native wildlife. After we have practiced and honed our inquiry skills, this class will culminate in participants engaging with Zoo visitors to collect research on a question of their own design.

**Steps**
1. Learn about how a naturalist makes observations
2. Hone our skills at creating comparative questions about the animals we are observing
3. Learn more about how native wildlife behave and interact with their habitat.
4. Learn about the importance of citizen science.
5. Make new friends and discover how to work together.
6. Find creative ways to help native wildlife that share our spaces.

**Purpose**
When I finish this Zoo Troop adventure, I will have developed my inquiry and observational skills, built confidence in my skills as a scientist, and discovered how I can use them to learn more about the wildlife that shares our continent.

**Dates:** Choose to come every Tuesday or Saturday for 4 weeks  
Home School Tuesdays: April 12, 19, 26 and May 3: 10-noon  
Saturdays: April 16, 23, 30 and May 7: 1:30-3:30pm

**Cost:** Members: $65/Non-Members: $80

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HURRAY FOR MOM!
Many animals (including humans) have close relationships with their mothers. From the gentle jaws of an alligator to the comfy pouch of a wallaby, come and learn about our Zoo moms as we prepare to celebrate all moms the next day.

Dates: May 7: 10:00-11:30 am

FAMILY NIGHT HIKE:
HEY BABY!
The Zoo babies are here and they sure are cute! Come and learn some information about them such as their names, birthdays, and what their family lives are like. With some animal visitors in the classroom and an after-hours Zoo hike, we’ll learn why each birth at the Zoo is cause for celebration and if there are any more babies on the way!

Dates: May 6, 13, 20 or 21: 6:30-8 pm

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FAMILY PROGRAMS

These family-oriented programs explore wildlife through animal demonstrations and hikes though the Zoo as well as crafts or games in a manner that is sure to be fun for all ages.

Cost: Members: $8/Adult, $8/Child Non-Members: $12/Adult, $12/Child

NOCTURNAL ADVENTURES
FAMILY OVERNIGHTS

FAMILY CAMP OUT
Families with children 5 years old and up are invited to pitch a tent behind the Giraffe Ridge exhibit. Then we will take a safari to Africa in search of predators while focusing on the virtual role they play in a healthy ecosystem. Bring your own tent and sleeping bag and camp out under the stars at the Zoo!

Dates: April 2 or May 7: 6 pm-9 am
Cost: $35/Member $40/Non-Member

FAMILY SLEEP WITH THE MANATEES
Did you know that The Cincinnati Zoo is one of only two institutions outside of Florida that rescue and rehabilitate manatees? Come experience a once-in-a-lifetime sleepover with these gentle giants! During the overnight you will enjoy two sneak peeks behind the scenes, hike the Zoo at night, play games, experience animal encounters and fall asleep with our resident manatee, 2000 pound Betsy, and young 250 pound Bambam swimming at your feet.

Dates: April 2 or May 7: 6 pm-9 am
Cost: $40/Member $45/Non-Member
Nocturnal Adventure
Overnights at the Zoo

Experience the wildest nightlife in town during a Zoo sleepover! Available to groups of 15 or more, an overnight is something to remember and a fun way to learn about life sciences.

During a Nocturnal Adventure your students will:

• Go behind the scenes for a unique view of the Zoo.
• Meet live animals up close and personal.
• Take a thrilling night hike through the Zoo.
• Sleep in the woods, under the stars, beside a rain-forest, or next to the manatees.
• Enjoy a lively morning animal encounter.
• Take home a FREE souvenir.
• Explore the Zoo on your own the next day for FREE!

Choose from these Standards-Based Programs:

African Predator Prowl (Grades 2 & up)
Prowl the Zoo at night in search of predators from Africa and beyond and learn about the vital role of predators and humans in a healthy ecosystem.

Animal Adaptations (Grades 2 & up)
Investigate how animals as big as a tiger and as small as an ant survive using their amazing physical and behavioral adaptations.

Sleep with the Manatees (Grades 5 & up)
Explore the diversity of life on Earth as you spend the night with our resident Florida manatees in the Manatee Springs building.

Go to cincinnatizoo.org/education
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Worried your school can’t afford the cost of a field trip or overnight? The Zoo’s Living Classroom Access Fund is available now for deserving schools to help fund your Zoo visit!

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